STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency (Alpha-1) is a common and serious hereditary disorder that can result in life threatening lung disease in adults and liver disease in both children and adults; and

WHEREAS; Alpha-1 has been identified in nearly every population and ethnic group, and it is estimated that about one in every 2,500 Americans are affected; and

WHEREAS; despite its prevalence, the disorder is often misdiagnosed and, in fact, it is likely that fewer than ten percent of those who have Alpha-1 are accurately diagnosed; and

WHEREAS; increased awareness of Alpha-1 is essential to its early detection and treatment, and to decreased incidence of misdiagnosis; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Alpha-1 patients and advocates in spreading awareness of the disorder, both in the general public and the medical community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 2020 as

ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

By the G ernor:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 5th day of November 2020.

GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State